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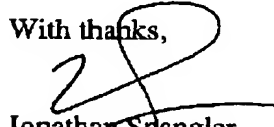
Dear Sir:

In response to a telephone interview with the Examiner regarding Application No. 10/627,553, the Applicant respectfully submits the following:

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- (2) Supplemental Amendment (13 pages).

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With thanks,


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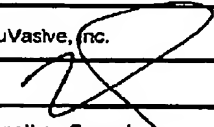
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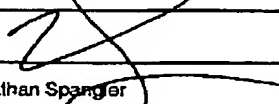
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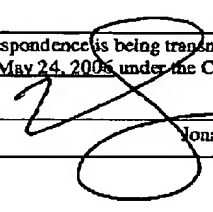
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Dear Sir:

In response to a telephone interview with the Examiner on May 24, 2006, the Applicants respectfully request that this Supplemental Amendment be entered in the above-identified reissue application. Please amend the application as follows: